GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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List of Pesticides used by Tea Industry
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tea Board of India has expanded the list of pesticides and chemicals which the Indian tea industry is permitted to use;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
(c) whether the Tea Board of India has two new additions in the list; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) to (d): Tea Board of India implements a comprehensive guideline called "Plant Protection Code" (PPC) for safe usage of Plant Protection Formulations (PPFs) in the tea plantations in India. The list of approved PPFs for use in Tea Plantations in the 4thversion of PPC had 35 number of PPFs. The Tea Board has recently added two more chemicals namely, Emamectin Benzoate 5 SG and Flubendiamide 20 WG, increasing the number of PPFs to 37 as reflected in the 5thversion of PPC notified on 18thJanuary, 2016.

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